

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ACTION SUMMARY
Thursday, August 14, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.

Administration Building – Board Chambers
2101 Hurley Way, Sacramento, CA 95825

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Lawson. Board Members present: Clark, Goold, Granados [arrived 6:25 p.m.], Jones, Kelly, Lawson, Valley. Directors Engellenner, Trujillo, absent. Staff: Deputy Chief Miller, Board Clerk Tilson, General Counsel Margarita, Associate General Counsel Chavez.

PLEDGE TO FLAG led by the Girl Scouts of Tierra Del Oro.

METRO CABLE 14 ANNOUNCEMENT

The open session Meeting is videotaped for cablecast on Metro Cable 14. Replay on Saturday, August 16 at 2:00 PM and Monday, August 18 at 6:00 PM on Channel 14; Webcast at www.sacmetro cable.tv. A VHS copy is also available for checkout from any library branch.

PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN DISTRICT JURISDICTION INCLUDING ITEMS ON OR NOT ON THE AGENDA

Fire Station 107 Real Property Sale

Karen Klinger expressed a concern regarding the type of use for this facility stating it was zoned for single family residential and any other use would be illegal. A water agency or business would not be acceptable to the residents. She stated she knew somebody who put an offer on the property for a residence and hoped the Board would continue to abide by the zoning and Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions of the subdivision and sell the property for residential use.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Board Meeting Action Summary—July 24, 2008

- **Board Action:**
Kelly/Clark—approve the Consent Agenda. ROLL CALL: Clark, Goold, Jones, Kelly, Lawson, Valley, AYE. Directors Engellenner, Granados, Trujillo, absent. Motion carried.

[Closed Session Taken out of order after Consent Agenda]

ACTION ITEM(S):**1. Resolution No. 55-08 – County of Sacramento Authorized to Collect Special Tax for Rancho Murieta/Sloughhouse—(DC Miller)**

- Staff has estimated the District's Special Fire Tax will generate approximately \$700,000 in revenue for fiscal year 2008/2009. The estimated revenues from the tax were incorporated in calculations used for developing the 2008/2009 budget.
- Staff recommended adoption of the Resolution authorizing the County Assessor to incorporate the District's Special Fire Tax for the Rancho Murieta/Sloughhouse area with the 2008/2009 Sacramento County property tax levy.
- **Board Action:**
Goold/Kelly—adopt the Resolution. ROLL CALL: Clark, Goold, Granados, Kelly, Lawson, Valley, AYE. Director Engellenner, Jones, Trujillo, absent. Motion carried.

2. Resolution No. 56-08 – Direct the Sale of Surplus Real Property – Station 107—(Associate General Counsel Chavez)

- A Resolution providing for the sale of surplus real property known as APN 292-0040-023 located at 970 La Sierra Drive, Sacramento, California to the Sacramento County Water Agency for \$525,000, and authorizing the Fire Chief or his designee to sign all legal documents and expend and/or receive funds on behalf of the District subject to the requirements of law and the formal actions of the Board of Directors.
- Karen Klinger voiced opposition to the sale and stated the District is in violation of the zoning code and Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions, and there will be a fight regarding this becoming a business in a single family residential zone.
- Pete Nixon of CB Richard Ellis addressed the issue of zoning restrictions and stated he does not know if the County's intended use would end up being allowable or not.
- **Board Action:**
Granados/Clark—adopt the Resolution. ROLL CALL: Clark, Goold, Granados, Kelly, Lawson, Valley, AYE. Director Engellenner, Jones, Trujillo, absent. Motion carried.

**3. Resolution No. 57-08 – Industrial Disability Retirement --
Fire Engineer Don Morris—(DC Miller)**

- Work-related injury precluding performance of duties in the position of Fire Engineer.
- Application filed with the Public Employees' Retirement System.
- Recommend approval; retirement effective October 16, 2007.
- **Board Action:**
Goold/Clark—adopt the Resolution. ROLL CALL: Clark, Goold, Granados, Kelly, Lawson, Valley, AYE. Director Engellenner, Jones, Trujillo, absent. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION ITEMS(S): None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT—(Trujillo) None.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT—(Deputy Chief Miller)

- Fire Chief Mette, Deputy Chief Eastman, Fire Marshal Mike Stewart, and Battalion Chiefs Brown and Arend were attending the International Association of Fire Chiefs conference in Denver.
- August 8, 2008 – Attended the Changing of Command Ceremony with Fire Chief Matte at the Coast Guard Air Station at McClellan. Command changed from Captain Heintz to Captain O'Connor.
- August 3, 2008 – Fire Chief Mette, Deputy Chief Eastman, Captain Lynch along with Jim Newcomer, Mike Spaich and Jack Meixner were drivers for the Firefighters Burn Institute Burn Camp at Lake Tahoe; in addition, Scott Robbins and Clint Alexander as counselors, retired Captains Mike Williamson helping out in the kitchen and Mike Castagnola handling supplies.
- August 15 – State Fair starts with District staffing of Camp Smokey for a third of the fair and other fire agencies and Fire Dispatch covering the other two-thirds.
- Copter 1 will be back in service on Saturday, August 16, following time out for maintenance.

- Captain Jeff Lynch played two KCRA 3 news media video clips of the Burn Camp for kids held at South Lake Tahoe and the Firefighter's Perspective of Captain Steve Eggiman who was injured in the Jackson/Bradshaw Road fire incident.

- **OPERATIONS REPORT –**

Deputy Chief Geoff Miller updated the Board.

Fire Incident Report –

Ten working structure fires since the last Board meeting; 62 grass fires.

Wildland Fires – Out of County Response –

Only one person out on overheard assignment in Butte County.

Thank You Letters Received –

- Felix and Beth Smith and Family re: Station 108 crew.
 - MAFFS/DC-10 Air Operations at McClellan Field/USFS re: Station 114 crew.
 - City of Citrus Heights – support of CERT program and Citrus Heights events.
 - Firefighter/EMT Bettrietta Kime, San Francisco Fire Department – E61A rendered medical aid to her brother-in-law and secured his vehicle.
- Captain Jim Petersen continues to recover and will be returning to light duty on September 1, 2008.
- **SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION REPORT –**

Fire Prevention Bureau Activities –

- Fire Camp report.
- July 31 – Town and Country Trailer Park Smoke alarm event.

Facilities Division –

- New janitorial service, DMS Facility Services, started August 1 with a smooth transition.
- Station 68 operational on Friday, August 8.

Fire Prevention –

- High-rise wet drill at Marriott Hotel, Rancho Cordova.
- Diane Dunlap, Mapping Technician, resigned effective July 31.
- Report on significant projects in various communities.

Fleet –

- Staff and Deputy Chief Eastman inspected three new Type I Engines at the Pierce plant last week; scheduled arrival in two weeks.
- First new medic in service this week at Station 59.

Logistics –

- Outfitted Medic 59.
- Helped with the move at Station 68 on Friday, August 8.
- Testing all hose in Logistics cache.
- Finished engraving 270 new 800 MHz portable radios.

Information Technology –

- Station 68 completed.
- Moving forward with the programming and distribution of the 800 MHz portable radios.

GENERAL COUNSEL’S REPORT—(Margarita)

- Announced his retirement effective December 31, 2008. Thanked the Board for their support and stated it has been a pleasure to serve everyone.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS:**Executive Committee—(Trujillo)**

- Next Meeting: TBD

Communications Center Delegate—(Valley)

- Reported on the last meeting.
- Next Meeting: August 26, 2008 – 10:30 AM

California Fire & Rescue Training Authority—(Kelly)

- Next Meeting: September 10, 2008 – 10:00 AM

Finance Committee—(Valley)

- At today’s meeting a report was requested on the legal service cost to clarify if the line item shown in the budget was all inclusive.
- Next Meeting: September 11, 2008 – 5:00 PM

Policy Committee—(Lawson)

- Next Meeting: August 28, 2008 – 5:00 PM
- Vice President Lawson stated a workshop was suggested by some Directors on the faxed materials (Board Policies & Procedures). Counsel Margarita agreed that a workshop would be appropriate to discuss the materials he faxed to the Board along with another component involving revisions of District Policies which is almost finalized from a draft standpoint.

Vice President Lawson stated maybe we can get some tentative workshop dates at the next Board meeting that we can collaborate on as Directors.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:**Clark:**

- Thanked the Girl Scouts for the presentation of Colors.
- Thanked the men and women of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District for the wonderful job they do every day. Trinity County brings to mind how dangerous firefighting really is with nine people dead. Offered his condolences to their families for the great loss.
- Thanked staff for their presentations.

Goold:

- Thanked Station 59 personnel, the dozer and helicopter crews, Fire Marshal Mike Stewart, and Brenda Briggs for getting materials he needed and organizing some of their staff. Last weekend they had about 4,500 boy scouts at the Van Vleck Ranch and the interaction was a hit. It was a great public relations event.

Granados:

- Mrs. Klinger made a big issue on the sale of the property but in reality, the District is actually giving this back to the community. The Sacramento County Water Agency is not a "for profit" business. He felt the comments were inappropriate.
- Echoed Director Clark's comments on the loss of firefighters in Trinity County, which is a tragedy.
- During these days of high heat, older people are challenged. Reminded everyone to check on their neighbors.

Kelly:

- Thanked the firefighters for the help they provided to his brother-in-law's family in August. There was a get together at their home and a two-year old ended up in the jacuzzi and was limp and unresponsive when pulled out. Thanks to the good work of the Station 102 crew, the child is doing fine. Cautioned everyone to keep the young ones away from pools.

Captain Lynch commented on the near drowning. He reminded the public that a child's life can be lost in a minute and that Metro Fire has all sizes of life jackets available for public use at seven fire stations. There is no charge and Metro Fire only requests that the jackets be returned at a later date.

- Thanked the group of City Fire Fighters from Local 522 who cooked hamburgers and hot dogs for the crowd at the National Night Out. The Roberts Family Development Center is a non-profit organization in the North Sacramento area that provides family services, child care, summer programs, and puts together a National Night Out Program at Winner's Circle Park.

Valley:

- Saw tonight one of our firefighters who got burned. Appreciated what they do but the last thing he would like to see is firefighters putting themselves in harms way and taking chances to the extent that they get burned.
- Thanked all of the employees for taking on double duties in these economic times when there is attrition and we have to watch the money we spend.

Lawson:

- Requested the Grant Writer provide a status report at the next Board meeting on projects being worked on. The District is struggling to maintain its budget and would like to know what is being done to offset those costs.
- Thanked staff for the reports this evening and the Firefighters for their work.
- Congratulated Directors Goold, Granados, and Jones on their unopposed nomination for election, to be certified later.
- Director Jones was one of the directors that asked that a workshop be held on the policies.
- Cautioned everyone to drive safely around the State Fair area due to traffic.
- Thanked everyone including Director Jones who joined as volunteers at the Firefighters Camp in Lake Tahoe. For identification, the Firefighters Burn Institute is a certified United Way Agency which means it falls under the criteria of administration fees.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION 6:04 PM

[Taken out of order after Consent Agenda]

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION 6:45 PM

[Director Jones departed at 6:45 p.m.]

Report by Associate General Counsel Chavez:

CLOSED SESSION GOVERNMENT CODES:

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: 970 La Sierra Drive, Sacramento CA
APN 292-0040-023

Agency Negotiator: Bill Sponable, Finance Director

Negotiating Party: Property Owner Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

Under Negotiation: Price and terms/conditions of purchase

The Board heard information from the District's real property negotiator and gave direction to staff to accept the offer by the Sacramento County Water Agency for a bid amount of \$525,000.

Director Lawson recused from Closed Session Item No. 2.

2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: 6131 Kenneth Avenue, Fair Oaks, California
APN 261-0020-026

Agency Negotiator: Bill Sponable, Finance Director

The Board heard information from the District's negotiator and gave direction to staff and the real property negotiator to continue negotiating the sale of the property.

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to California Government code Section 54956.9(a) – Two (2) Cases

A. Kevin Kane vs. Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Claim #2006052371

The Board heard information and gave staff direction to allow the District's Third Party Administrator to settle the matter by the stipulated award in the amount of \$28,235.37.

B. Donald Morris vs Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Claim #2006048417

The Board heard information and gave staff direction to allow settlement of the matter. Disability Retirement Resolution for consideration under Action Item No. 3 in Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. following a moment of silence for the fallen firefighters from Oregon.

Ray Trujillo, President

Gregory A. Granados, Secretary

Charlotte Tilson, Clerk of the Board